

**ST. GEORGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 6, 2014, 12:00 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Jon Pike  
Councilmember Gil Almquist  
Councilmember Jimmie Hughes  
Councilmember Michele Randall  
Councilmember Joe Bowcutt  
City Manager Gary Esplin  
City Attorney Shawn Guzman  
City Recorder Christina Fernandez

**OPENING:**

Councilmember Pike called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by a Councilmember Almquist and the invocation was offered by Reverend Jimi Kestin.

**SWEARING IN:**

Judge Eric Ludlow performed the swearing in of Mayor Jon Pike, Councilmember Randall and Councilmember Bowcutt.

**SET DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS TO FILL VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT:**

Mayor Pike advised a deadline needs to be set for accepting applications to fill the vacant City Council seat. He stated this will be a 2 year term which will expire January 2016. The proposed deadline is 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, 2014.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Almquist to appoint the appointments made by Mayor Pike.

**SECOND:** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes.

**VOTE:** Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Almquist- aye  
Councilmember Hughes - aye  
Councilmember Randall - aye  
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**APPROVE APPLICATION FORM:**

Mayor Pike stated the application was reviewed. When signed, the applicant is certifying that they are a citizen of the United States, a registered voter in the City of St. George, has lived in the City of St. George for the past 12 months and that they were not convicted of a felony. Each candidate who applies is requested to submit a resume and a brief one page written statement explaining why they are interested in serving on the City Council and any involvement in City organizations or activities.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the application form for the vacant City Council seat.

**SECOND:** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

**VOTE:** Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Almquist- aye  
Councilmember Hughes - aye  
Councilmember Randall - aye  
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**SET DATE AND TIME TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS FOR VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT:**

Mayor Pike advised the proposed date and time to interview applicants is Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers. The interview format will be announce once it is determined how many applicants have applied.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Almquist to set the date and time to interview applicants for Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers; the format will be announced at a later time.

**SECOND:** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

**VOTE:** Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Almquist- aye  
Councilmember Hughes - aye  
Councilmember Randall - aye  
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Mayor Pike thanked everyone for well run campaigns and said that he will miss Councilmember Bunker, Councilmember Nickle and Mayor Daniel D. McArthur. It is an honor for him to sit in the seat Mayor McArthur sat in for 20 years. He mentioned that the historic parade grounds at the St. George Town Square were named after Mayor Daniel D. McArthur because he fought for not only Town Square but for the parade grounds.

Councilmember Randall expressed her gratitude for everyone who supported her. She is honored to be serving and is grateful for City Manager Gary Esplin and the Department Heads.

Councilmember Bowcutt thanked everyone who supported him especially his wife. He is thrilled to have the opportunity to serve.

Councilmember Hughes stated he looks forward to working with the new City Council. He welcomed Councilmember Randall and Councilmember Bowcutt.

Councilmember Almquist thanked City Manager Gary Esplin and staff for all they do. He believes this is going to be a great year.

Mayor Pike thanked his family and families of the Councilmembers. He encouraged the citizens to let the Councilmembers know of any issues.

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**VOTE:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Bowcutt to adjourn.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Almquist- aye

Councilmember Hughes - aye

Councilmember Randall - aye

Councilmember Bowcutt - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.